



## FISCAL MEMORANDUM

### HB 667 - SB 795

February 28, 2021

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Authorizes local governments to establish Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Storm Resiliency (C-PACER) programs which would establish a voluntary special assessment charged by local governments against energy efficiency improvements made on commercial property to repay financing of the projects.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (003970):** Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the substantive changes: (1) remove a local government's authority to hire and compensate a program administrator and staff or delegate or contract for professional or administrative services as necessary for program administration; and (2) remove the ability of applicable property owners to contract directly for the related equipment and materials used in the installation or modification of qualified improvements.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed language is permissive; however, it would prohibit the use of public funds by a participating local government for the repayment of loans between a property owner and a third-party lender.
- Any resolution adopted by a local government to establish a C-PACER program, and the subsequent public hearing, will be accomplished at a regularly-scheduled meeting of the local legislative body; therefore, any increase in local expenditures is considered not significant. Any increase in local expenditures incurred by the local government for administering a C-PACER program will be offset by the assessment of fees to program participants.
- Special assessments would be charged to the participating commercial property, collected by the property assessor, and then remitted to the third-party lender; therefore, any increase in local government property tax revenue is considered not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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